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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, mailed <u>August 10</u>, <u>2004</u>, Applicant submits the following documents to complete the filing for the above-identified patent application:

- 1. Executed Declaration (2 pages);
- 2. Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent;
- 3. Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b);
- 4. Limited Authorization to Act on Behalf of Assignee;
- 5. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts mailed August 10, 2004;
- 6. Copy of Assignment which was filed through EPAS on November 10, 2004;
- 7. Petition for 1-month Extension of Time; and
- Preliminary Amendment including a replacement Abstract in compliance with 37 CFR
 1.72(b) and 1.121

Applicant has consulted 37 CFR 1.821(a), which indicates "Nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences as used in §§1.821 through 1.825 are interpreted to mean an unbranched sequence of four or more amino acids or an unbranched sequence of ten or more nucleotides." Applicant's longest sequence in the instant application is nine nucleotides. Therefore, it is believed that no sequence listing is required.

Applicant hereby authorizes the United States Patent and Trademark Office to charge the necessary surcharge of \$130.00 to **Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4992).** The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any excess payments to Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4992). This response is enclosed in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A replacement abstract commencing on a separate sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 1.72(b) and 37 CFR 1.121 is required.
- This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be

submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

• \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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